

Mission Statement: The Mission of Crisis Connection Inc. is to work in partnership with communities to empower victims, survivors & persons affected by domestic & sexual violence through confidential crisis intervention, education and advocacy in Crawford, Dubois, Orange, Perry and Spencer Counties.



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The **COST** of Intimate Partner Violence: **YOUR** Bottom Line

The majority of intimate partner violence (IPV) incidents are *never* reported to the police, but **one in four** women is known to experience intimate partner violence during her lifetime.

All the national figures that will follow are based on the cases that were actually reported to the police during 2000. The FBI estimates that these numbers represent only:

- 20% of the rapes,
- 25% of the physical assaults, and
- 50% of the stalking cases that actually occurred during 2000.

According to the *Centers for Disease Control* (CDC), **5.3 million** women were the victims of IPV during 2000 resulting in **2 million** serious injuries and **1,300 deaths**.

The cost of IPV to the U.S. economy exceeded **\$67 billion**. These costs included:

- medical and mental health costs,
- lost productivity,
- lifetime earnings,
- property loss,
- ambulance service,
- police response,
- criminal justice,
- social services, and
- pain and suffering.

Workplace **homicide** has tripled in the last decade and has become the *leading* cause of workplace death for women and the second leading cause of workplace death for men. 33.2% of women, who are murdered, are murdered by a current or ex intimate partner.

Women are more likely to be attacked by an intimate partner and **85-95%** of all IPV victims are female. *IPV is the leading cause of injury to women*, surpassing even traffic accidents. **96%** of these abuse victims will experience problems at work due to IPV (CDC).



Crisis Connection provided services to **770** victims of domestic violence and their **685** children and **164** victims of sexual assault between July 1, 2005 and June 30, 2006 (one year). **42%** of the domestic violence victims and **36%** of the children live in Dubois County. **82%** of the sexual assault clients reside in Dubois County. The population of Dubois County more than doubles during the work day with commuting workers: a majority of our clients from Pike, Martin, Perry, Orange, Crawford and Spencer counties work in Dubois County.

According to the *Family Violence Prevention Fund* (FVPF) each case of rape costs **\$3,062** in direct medical and mental health cost, **\$3,682** per physical assault and **\$690** per stalking. *Two-thirds of these costs are paid by private insurance* (CDC).

Victims of rape lose an estimated **1.1 million days** (3.4 days per incident) of work at \$69 a day while victims of

physical assault lose an estimated **9.5 million days** (2.1 days per incident) at \$93 a day and victims of stalking **2.9 million days** (5.8 days per incident) at \$93 per day (CDC). In addition, victims of physical assault average 6.7 assaults by the same partner.

A *conservative* estimate of the cost for medical and mental health care and lost productivity for each incidence of IPV follows:

1 rape	= \$3,296.60
1 physical assault	= \$3,877.30
1 stalking	= \$1,229.40

It is *extremely* unusual for stalking not to be involved in a domestic violence case. It is also quite common for men who physically abuse their partner to also sexually abuse their partner. The overlap and repetition in these cases is very high. These factors drive the expense even higher for most cases.

Applying the CDC's estimate of cost to the 770 adult domestic violence victims Crisis Connection worked with, a *conservatively* cost of **\$2,985,521.00** could be possible strictly for medical and mental health costs and lost productivity. Nearly **3 million dollars** and this includes nothing for any treatment the children may have received or the tremendous cost for police, criminal justice and social services all of which are supported by **your** tax dollars.



The 164 rape victims Crisis Connection worked with could conservatively cost **\$540,642.40** and as with domestic violence, this figure includes nothing but direct medical and mental health costs and lost productivity.

There are no hospitals in Martin, Pike, Crawford or Spencer counties which places an additional burden and expense on the health care providers of Dubois county.

If you employ, work with, attend church with, are acquainted with, or go to school with 100 women, you are familiar with and helping pay for a minimum of 25 victimizations each and every year.

The men who **make the choice to abuse other human beings** have no regard for *your pocketbook*.

We all pay for **some men's choice to be cruel and destructive**. We pay directly through health care expenses, lost productivity, lifetime earnings, property loss, ambulance service, police response, criminal justice, and social services.



We pay indirectly through:

- Substantially higher child abuse rates (50-70% of men who assault their partner also assault their children);
- Child fatality rates (80% of child fatalities are attributable to the father or father surrogate);
- Higher sex abuse rates (domestic

batterers are 6.51 times more likely to sexually abuse the daughters in the home than men who do not batter);

- Substantially higher substance abuse, truancy, gang involvement, sexual acting out, teen pregnancy, running away, self-mutilation and suicidal ideation rates among adolescents who grow up in a home where the father is violent;
- Difficulty sleeping, colic, frequent illnesses, diarrhea, fearfulness, developmental delays and school phobia problems with young children and babies; and,
- A child's exposure to a father who is abusing the mother is the strongest risk factor for transmitting violent behavior from one generation to the next.

What can you do?

- Do you have a comprehensive safety plan at work? Do you directly address the crimes of domestic and sexual violence and regularly update and retrain your key people?
- Do you have Crisis Connection posters in every woman's bathroom you are aware of? Do you have brochures and hotline cards available at your workplace, church and school?
- Do you know how the police, prosecutor and court handle IPV cases in your county? Are they tough on these guys or do they routinely simply slap their hand? Are they ordered to *Batterers' Intervention* or allowed to decide what they do or don't care to do?

Can **you** afford to continue to finance some men's choice to burn **your money**? It's time to make IPV *your business*. To use violence is always a choice and so is deciding to end it. Please call us...today.

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What is Batterers' Intervention?

Crisis Connection Inc. offers a twenty-six week course for men who have chosen to end violence in their lives or who are interested in learning more about violence against women and children. The *Batterers' Intervention Program* is facilitated by men and women who are committed to working toward the goal of ending men's violence against their partners and children. The facilitators do not offer therapy or counseling, their role is closer to that of a teacher. They present information which can help men end their abusive or violent behavior.

Batterers' Intervention is much more than anger management. Anger management is not designed to address the underlying issues at the root of the choice to be abusive to another. *Batterers' Intervention* concentrates on threatening behaviors, intimidation, emotional abuse, isolation, disrespect, coercion, sexual respect, honesty, and sharing.

The purpose of most criminal justice system interventions for domestic violence is to *hold the perpetrator accountable for his actions*. These interventions, however, are only a temporary solution to the problem. Even if a perpetrator receives jail time, his victim may not be any safer when he is released and may be at greater risk of harm. The most effective protection against violence is to prevent it from occurring in the first place.

Crisis Connection Inc. is working with the male perpetrators of domestic violence in batterer's treatment groups in an effort to influence their future behavior and stop the generational cycle of violence.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month



The Hard Facts

CCI Domestic Violence (DV) Statistics 7/01/05-6/30/06

•DV clients	770
•DV children in home	685
•DV hotline calls	1,929
•DV visits with clients	844
•DV crisis counseling	798
•DV info/referral assists	1,671
•DV follow-ups	2,312
•DV personal advocacy	2,587
•DV criminal justice contacts	964
•DV transportation	62
•DV housing nights	352
•DV emergency financial	320
•Presentations	574
•Attendance @ presentations	24,662
•Batterers' Intervention clients	39
•Womens' Group participants	134
•Newsletter distribution	678
•Website visitors	1,058,725

•2 young women murdered

How do we compare to other counties in Indiana by DV murder rate v. population?

Allen	1 in 24,085 murdered
Bartholomew	1 in 73,540
Boone	1 in 26,031
Delaware	1 in 58,181
Dubois	1 in 40,856
Fayette	1 in 12,442
Hancock	1 in 63,138
Hendricks	1 in 63,741
Henry	1 in 47,244
Jackson	1 in 42,237
Johnson	1 in 42,812
Kosciusko	1 in 76,072
Lake	1 in 82,216
LaPorte	1 in 110,512
Marion	1 in 30,826
Noble	1 in 47,446
Parke	1 in 3,472
Perry	1 in 19,032
Posey	1 in 26,852
Putnam	1 in 36,957
Shelby	1 in 21,883
St. Joseph	1 in 266,160
Tippecanoe	1 in 76,938
Vigo	1 in 102,592

(68 of 92 Indiana counties had no DV deaths last year)

A victim of domestic violence enjoyed better odds of not being murdered if she lived in **Columbus**, Edinburgh, **Muncie**, Avon, **Greenfield**, Brownsburg, **Danville**, Plainfield, New Castle, **Seymour**, Brownstown, Franklin, **Greenwood**, Warsaw, Crown Point, **East Chicago**, **Gary**, **Hammond**, Merrillville, **Michigan City**, South Bend, **Lafayette**, West Lafayette, and **Terre Haute** & West Terre Haute than if she lived in **Jasper** and **Cannelton**.

The Services CCI Offers the Community and Survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence

- Crisis counseling
- Personal advocacy
- Court advocacy
- Information/referrals
- Follow-up
- Law enforcement advocacy
- Medical advocacy
- Prosecutor & court advocacy
- Transitional housing
- Emergency safe housing
- "Safe" homes
- Regional shelter access
- Support groups for women
- Anger-management for women
- Batterers' Intervention for men
- Assistance with:
 - Protective Orders
 - Victim Impact Statements
 - Child abuse reports
 - Victim notification
 - Violent Crime Compensation
 - Workplace violence prevention training
 - Sex offender registry
 - Relocation
 - Address confidentiality
 - Back-to-school supplies
 - Holiday gifts
 - Thanksgiving dinners
- Limited financial assistance
- Educational materials
- 911 phones
- Volunteer opportunities
- Seminars & conferences
- Internet Safety curriculum
- Media Literacy curriculum
- Natural Helpers curriculum
- CARE curriculum
- Training for:
 - Law enforcement
 - Medical providers
 - Workplace
 - School personnel
 - Faith groups
- Monthly newsletter
- Extensive Website
- Bullying curriculum
- Emergency transportation
- Liz Claiborne curriculum
- In-house library
- Child Safety curriculum
- Press releases/interviews
- QPR certified staff
- CPR certified staff
- First-aid certified staff
- Presentations
- 24-hour hotline
- Intern opportunities
- Consultations
- Corporate partnerships
- 3 office locations
 - Dubois 482-1555
 - Perry 547-8878
 - Spencer 649-2303
- Tax-deductible donations

Our services are free to the community and survivors of domestic & sexual violence (there is a very reasonable fee for the Batterers' Intervention Program).

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ZERO TOLERANCE

He blames the woman
He blames the booze
He blames his job
He blames the weather
He blames and blames and
blames and blames...
HE must be stopped

Domestic
Violence
has
NO
Place
in
Our
Community



Remember My Name

Indiana's Domestic Violence Deaths 7/05/05-8/11/06

- 1 Lance Dunston** age 51 shot by wife
- 2 Tyronica Dinkins** age unknown shot by boyfriend
- **3 Dave Williams** age 51 shot by girlfriend's ex-boyfriend
- 4 Christopher Neal** age 37 suicide after killing D. Williams
- 5 Barbara Carrico** age 40 shot by husband
- 6 Melba Simon-Wilson** age 33 shot by husband
- 7 Leon Phillips** age 41 suicide after killing Melba
- 8 Rob Nichols** age 37 suicide after beating wife
- 9 & 10 Antonio Lopez** age 9 and **Erik Lopez** age 2 beaten to death by mother
- 11 Araya Clemons** age 3 beaten to death by uncle
- 12 Lei He** age 28 shot and dismembered by wife
- 13 Brian Chapell** age 25 stabbed to death by girlfriend's ex-boyfriend
- 14 Harley Brown** age 15 shot by father
- 15 David Brown** age 44 suicide after shooting Harley
- 16 Harold Austin** age 60 shot by wife
- **17 Lori DuPont** age 23 shot in the back by her boyfriend (Cannelton)
- 18 Crystal Young** age 19 shot by boyfriend
- 19 Erik Galbreath** age 23 suicide after killing Crystal
- 20 Verna Bates** age 48 shot by daughter's boyfriend
- 21 Michael Phillips** age 39 shot by ex-girlfriend's current boyfriend
- 22 Trisha Cottrell** age 29 shot by husband
- 23 & 24 Victoria Williams** age 10 and **Brittany Williams** age 12 shot by stepfather after he killed their mother
- 25 Jason McGuffey** age 4 shot by father
- 26 Edward McGuffey** age 37 suicide after killing Jason

- 27 Michael Summer III** age 4 months head smashed by father
- 28 Sandra Davis** age 51 head trauma by boyfriend
- 29 Kelcey Sullivan** age 22 beaten and strangled by girlfriend (same sex)
- 30 Amanda Deweese** age 24 shot by boyfriend
- 31 Samuel Turpen** age 41 suicide after shooting wife
- 32 David Voght** age 38 suicide after beating wife
- 33, 34, 35 & 36 Ana Casas** age 28 beaten and strangled by husband along with her children **Thannya Karolinn Rios** age 20 months, **Katherinne Rios** age 4 and **Lilianna Casas** age 10 who were strangled by father
- 37 A'aniah Collins** age 16 months beaten by mother's boyfriend
- 38 Thelma Caldwell** age 49 stabbed by husband
- 39 William Flanigan** age 65 shot by nephew
- 40 Tina Grayson** age 27 beaten, stabbed and raped by ex-boyfriend
- 41 David Lindsay** age 52 suicide after shooting wife
- 42 Sarah Miessen** age 21 strangled by boyfriend
- 43 Andrea Gonzalez** age 4 head trauma by step father
- 44 Jeffrey Randle** age 44 shot by ex-girlfriend's current boyfriend
- 45 Susan Lockrem** age 57 throat slashed with hatchet by ex-husband
- 46 Lauren Lockrem** age 61 suicide after murdering ex-wife Susan
- 47 Richard Kummer** age 42 shot by ex-girlfriend
- 48 Ruth Boyd** age 54 beaten by husband
- 49 Emanuel Tentle** age 7 months beaten and shook by father
- 50 Keyonia Dunn** age 20 shot by boyfriend
- 51 Erika Thornton** age 31 shot by friend's boyfriend

- 52 Jeffrey Kramer** age 22 shot by the husband of a woman who he imagined she was having an affair with
- 53 Veronica Adams** age 34 stabbed by boyfriend
- 54 Rene Smith** age 53 stabbed with sword by son
- 55 John Puchala** age 46 shot
- 56 Johnny Jackson** age 56 stabbed by girlfriend
- 57 Nikki Henderson** age 29 shot by boyfriend
- 58 Andrew Stegman** age 3 months skull fracture by father
- 59 Yolanda Johnson** age 30 shot by boyfriend
- 60 Derek Griffin** age 32 suicide after killing Yolanda
- 61 Walter Stegman** age 26 suicide after killing infant son
- 62 Candace Mejia** age 16 shot by boyfriend
- 63 Angelic Sanders** age 29 bound and shot by ex-boyfriend
- 64 Delores Taylor** age 54 bound and shot by daughter Angelic's ex-boyfriend
- 65 Martin Richardson** age 28 bound and shot by Angelic's ex-boyfriend
- 66 Thomas Evans** age 45 shot by police after beating wife and kidnapping their daughter
- 67 Brandon Moseley** age 20 suicide after threatening 16 year old he met on Internet
- 68 Theresa McEwan** age 34 stabbed
- 69 Patricia Overby** age 32 shot by boyfriend
- 70 Robert Moser** age 29 beaten by boyfriend (same sex)
- 71 Jodie Juarez** age 25 stabbed repeatedly in front of her children by husband (Jasper)
- 72 Collin Walker** age 4 throat slashed by father
- 73 Michael Nikols** age 11 months blunt force by mother's boyfriend
- 74 Cindy Venis** age 42 shot by husband
- Multiple deaths from one case
- Local deaths



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month



Dear Parents,

Please talk to your sons because every batterer and rapist is someone's son.

When a **Son** Crosses the Line...

www.smartersex.org

Smarter Sex Survey reports that **44%** of college males said they would turn in a friend to authorities who had committed date rape...**56%** would not.

- For every **1,000** women attending college, there will be **35** incidents of rape in a given academic year.
- 51.8%** of rapes occur after midnight.
- 62%** of completed rapes are perpetrated by classmates or friends.
- 16%** of male students, who committed rape, and **10%** of those who attempted rape, did so with at least one other attacker: **gang rape**
- 57%** of rapes occurs while out on a date.
- Women are **10 times more** likely than men to be victims of rape or sexual assault.

Red Flags to be watching for...

- Does he abuse alcohol and/or drugs?
- Does he frequently blame others for his problems?
- Is he sarcastic, insulting and/or demeaning toward others?
- Has he ever treated children and/or animals abusively?
- Is he a "player": always coming-on to any and all females?
- Does he "play" rough: hurting others but claiming not to have meant to?
- He is always right?
- Does he refuse to listen to others and/or tell others to shut-up?
- Has he ever threatened suicide when angry or to manipulate another?
- He is overly critical of others?
- Does he lie?
- Is he often angry?
- Is he reckless: taking dangerous chances with self and others?
- Does he experience frequent mood swings?
- Is he possessive and jealous toward others?
- Is he overly self-centered?
- Does he believe that he is "entitled": he always comes first?
- Is he respectful of his mother, sisters, female teachers, etc.?

You spend hours teaching your son how to hit a ball, how much time do you spend teaching him what not to hit?

How **YOU** Can Help Spread Awareness

- Hang one of our hotline posters in every woman's bathroom at your workplace, place of worship, favorite restaurant, school, hair salon, dentist and doctor office, Vet's, and gas station. Commit to refilling the cards every time you visit.
- Invite Joan and Natalie to speak at your workplace, place of worship, and club meetings so that others may become aware...call us today.
- Make a tax-deductible donation to CCI to assist us in our work in eradicating violence in our community...call us today.

YOU can make a BIG difference.

Mark your calendars!



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Join us on **Friday, October 13** from 10-6 as we honor the women of our community!

20% of our sales for the day will be donated to

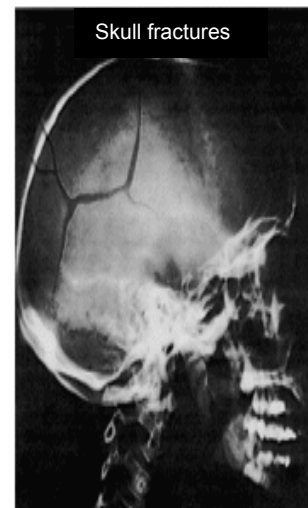
United Way of Perry County and designated for

Crisis Connection

And for our customers...

Spend \$75 and receive a **free** Stress Relief in a Box (\$25 value)

Spend \$50 and receive a **free** bottle of body lotion (\$8 value)



Some men break more than their partner's heart...

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Five Minutes with Joan Knies

Joan is the Community Education Specialist at Crisis Connection. Over the past twelve months she and Natalie Bolin have given 574 presentations with an attendance of 24,662 people. We thought you might find some of Joan's observations interesting.

Why do you do this type of work?

I have a degree in business administration and worked in human resources for approximately 20 years. During that time, employees came to me who were dealing with domestic violence in their personal lives. I turned to *Crisis Connection* for help in assisting them – I never dreamed that I'd end up working here. However – the more I learned about abuse, the more I wanted to help. Knowing that violence is typically a learned behavior, I truly believe it can be *un-learned*. When giving presentations to students, I sometimes apologize to them that my generation and generations before have failed in stopping the violence. I essentially implore them to be smarter than us.

Do you think community outreach can make a difference?

I couldn't do this job (and love it) if I didn't believe that. Our society needs to be proactive in understanding the complexities of the issue. I've noticed with adult audiences, there is almost always someone who doesn't believe that these *things actually happen here*. But youth audiences are truly never shocked at all.

If I could have a wish come true, I'd wish that all adults who have kids or deal with kids could be with CCI as we give our presentations. Some adults seem to be in denial about the kind of things kids deal with today. For example, here are some verbatim comments we've heard in the classroom: "Can they put the GHB drug in my Meth?"; "I know that everyone has to rape you as part of my initiation to become a member of the MS13 gang."; "Our parents buy us alcohol. They don't think it's any big deal as long as we stay at the party."; "Kids at our school are druggies and whores." etc.

What has been the biggest learning experience for you?

The more I learn about how the media impacts our culture, the more I want to learn. It is astounding to me how much media youth consume and how they literally *buy into it*. How can it possibly be that videogames like the *Grand Theft Auto* series are the best selling entertainment games in our country? Elementary school children boastfully tell me about the fun they have playing the scenes in these games where they kill a prostitute after she's had sex in a car with the game player; kicking an African American man in the crotch; enjoying watching more and more blood spill; or shooting the cops!

On informal surveys we've done, the average child watches 13 hours of TV weekly and has 5 television sets

in their home. An average American high school senior will have spent 12,000 hours in a classroom and 15,000 hours watching television. Hmm?

What topic has been of the most interest to your audiences?

Lately, it's been *Internet Safety* and *Personal Safety*.

The incidence of online predators is truly unnerving. At any given time, 55,000 of them may be online. When a California man flies to Evansville and takes a taxi to Tell City to meet a Jr. High student he's been chatting with – it is very real and happening here. Human trafficking is also very much alive and well in our world where people simply disappear daily.

Kids are proud that they sometimes know more about computers than their parents and think it's no big deal to lie about their age online to access sites like *MySpace*.

Adults truly need to learn to be more tech savvy and they truly need to monitor their children's activities. Just *Google* your child's name online and see what comes up.

Adults also need to understand that educating someone about a subject doesn't mean they'll *do it*. For example, it's okay to educate children about abuse so that they are smart, not scared.

Review safety rules with them about staying home alone, about sexual touching, about public safety, about drugs & alcohol, about how to deal with bullying and about resources that can help them. Insure that they know there are other trusted adults in their lives that they can talk to. They must also have safe environments and healthy activities. It's essential to learn about *uncomfortable* issues and deal with them. I can't emphasize enough how important it is to teach them personal responsibility and accountability.

I am heartened by the number of people who have welcomed us to present in their schools, faith communities, workplaces and organizations. I am also looking forward to more males becoming involved in understanding and stopping the abuse – Enough IS Enough!



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